By: King of Taylor, Miller of Comal H.B. No. 1396

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 1396:

By: Raymond C.S.H.B. No. 1396

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

1 AN ACT

- 2 relating to a study on alcohol and controlled substance statistics
- 3 prepared by the Department of Family and Protective Services and
- 4 the Department of State Health Services.
- 5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 6 SECTION 1. (a) The Department of Family and Protective
- 7 Services and the Department of State Health Services, using
- 8 existing resources, shall conduct a study on alcohol and controlled
- 9 substance statistics. The study must:
- 10 (1) determine whether either state agency currently
- 11 compiles information on:
- 12 (A) the number of children reported to the
- 13 department who at birth tested positive for the presence of alcohol
- 14 or a controlled substance;
- 15 (B) the controlled substances for which the
- 16 children described by Paragraph (A) of this subdivision tested
- 17 positive;
- 18 (C) the number of children described by Paragraph
- 19 (A) of this subdivision who were removed from their homes and have
- 20 been diagnosed as having a disability or chronic medical condition
- 21 resulting from the presence of alcohol or controlled substances;
- 22 and
- 23 (D) the number of parents who test positive for
- 24 the presence of a controlled substance during a department

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- 1 investigation of a report of abuse or neglect of the parent's child;
- 2 and
- 3 (2) if neither agency compiles the information
- 4 described by Subdivision (1) of this subsection:
- 5 (A) determine which agency can compile the
- 6 information described by Subdivision (1) of this subsection most
- 7 effectively and at the lowest cost; and
- 8 (B) estimate the cost to that agency of compiling
- 9 the information, preparing a report on the information, posting a
- 10 copy of the report on the agency's Internet website, and
- 11 electronically submitting to the legislature a copy of the report.
- 12 (b) Not later than November 1, 2014, the Department of
- 13 Family and Protective Services and the Department of State Health
- 14 Services shall electronically submit a copy of the study prepared
- 15 under Subsection (a) of this section to the governor, lieutenant
- 16 governor, speaker of the house of representatives, and presiding
- 17 officer of each standing legislative committee with jurisdiction
- 18 over those departments.
- 19 (c) This section expires September 1, 2015.
- 20 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.